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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.191, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final rejection of claims 1-2, 4-5, 8, 10-14 of the above-identified application, as set forth in the Office Action mailed October 6, 2004.

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